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Dear Examiner Nguyen:

Attached is a proposed claim for discussion at our interview on February 2, 2005. Also, I would like to discuss the teachings of Cyr, Kondo, and Kishi. Thank you. I look forward to seeing you. Of course, we would file such claims with an RCE, following the interview.

3. (Currently Amended) A method of determining the authenticity and/or counterfeit status of at least one optical disc present within a closed transparent storage unit, wherein the optical disc comprises a top surface, a bottom surface and a periphery edge disposed between the top surface and the bottom surface in substantially transverse orientation to the top surface and the bottom surface, said method comprising the steps of

(a) providing a transparent storage unit, said unit being comprised of substantially clear polymer walls, said unit being adapted for assuming both an open and a closed configuration in retaining said disc,

(b) providing an optical disc within said transparent storage unit, said storage unit being provided in a closed configuration, said optical disc including at least one authenticity identifier selected from the group consisting of: at least one iridescent compound, at least one iridescent pattern, and any combinations thereof, wherein said authenticity identifier is identifiable at least along the periphery edge of said disc;

(c) directing a source of light through at least one substantially clear polymer wall of said transparent storage unit,

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(c) exposing said disc to a source of light within the non-visible spectrum while
said disc is within said storage unit and said storage unit is in the closed configuration;

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and

(d) during the exposing step viewing the periphery edge of said at least one disc
by observation through said storage unit, while said optical disc resides still within said
closed storage unit; and

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(e) determining the presence or absence of said authenticity identifier;

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identifier is present, then said disc is
considered authentic, and wherein if
said authenticity identifier is not
present, then said disc is not
considered authentic.